

Of conjurors and cunning men, Nashe saith that they ascend by degrees, first raling a dunghill from Tfrhich to temper up a few ointments and syrups, until as their fame grows, at last they set up a conjuring school, and all malcontents intending evasive violence against their prince and country run headlong to this oracle As for the interpretation of dreams and the arts of physiognomy and palmistry, this is the sum of all, some subtle humorist to feed fantastic heads with innovations and novelties first invented this childish gloss upon dreams and physiognomy, wherein he strove only to boast himself of a pregnant, probable conceit beyond philosophy or truth

October SIR JOHN MORRIS'S ATTACK ON
THE FORT AT
CROIZON

From Brittany it is reported that an assault on the fort of Croyzon was begun on 23rd October This place is very strongly defended, defended by water on two parts, and the rest as strong as could be made by art or charge On the south front of the fort are two exceedingly strong bastions, that on the west having frontage of 17 paces, that on the east 10 paces, the curtain between them 37 ft thick at top, and within these they have a very large entrenchment The bastions are well defended on the flanks by the water and great ordnance Our trenches were within four paces of the counterscarp, the French being on the east side, the English on the west, with the battery between them

On that day the artillery began to play and fired some 700 shot but did so little harm that scarcely any breach appeared, but as the cannon beat upon the parapet and some of the flankers, some 400 men, commanded by Captain Lister,

were sent to
 view it, and to see if they could hold the
 counterscarp There-
 upon many of the men and the gallants, thirsty
 after honour and
 desirous to achieve something further, having
 possessed them-
 selves of the enemy's counterscarp, undertook
 the breach as
 well, and, notwithstanding the inaccessibleness of
 the place and
 the great resistance of the enemy, most of them
 reached the very
 top and held it for a time, though afterwards they
 were repulsed,
 so that six of the officers were killed and some 16
 or 18 soldiers,
 and twelve other officers were hurt or burned
 with powder.